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COMMITTEE REPORT

YES:	7
NO:	2

MR. SPEAKER:

*Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred House Bill 1481, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill **be amended** as follows:*

- 1 Page 1, line 12, delete ":" and insert "**pay out of the punitive**
- 2 **damages award attorney's fees to the attorney who represented the**
- 3 **person to whom punitive damages were awarded, in the amount**
- 4 **contracted for by the attorney and the person, and reasonable costs**
- 5 **incurred by the person to whom punitive damages were awarded.**
- 6 **After these attorney's fees and costs are paid, the clerk shall**
- 7 **distribute the remainder of the punitive damages as follows:".**
- 8 Page 1, strike line 13.
- 9 Page 1, line 14, delete "seventy-five".
- 10 Page 1, line 14, strike "percent".
- 11 Page 1, line 14, delete "(75%)".
- 12 Page 1, line 14, strike "of the punitive".
- 13 Page 1, strike line 15.
- 14 Page 1, line 16, strike "(2) pay the remaining".
- 15 Page 1, line 16, delete "twenty-five".
- 16 Page 1, line 16, strike "percent".

- 1 Page 1, line 17, delete "(25%)".
 - 2 Page 1, line 17, strike "of the punitive damage award".
 - 3 Page 1, line 17, delete "as follows:".
 - 4 Page 2, delete lines 1 through 6.
 - 5 Page 2, line 7, delete "award", begin a new line block indented and
 - 6 insert:
 - 7 **"(1) Seventy-five percent (75%) of the remainder to the**
 - 8 **person to whom punitive damages were awarded.**
 - 9 **(2) Twenty-five percent (25%) of the remainder".**
- (Reference is to HB 1481 as introduced.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Representative Lawson L